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Note by the Secretariat

1. At its thirteenth session, in 1980, the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) decided[1] that it would consider, at each of its sessions, the status of conventions that were the outcome of work carried out by it.

2. The present note sets forth the status of the conventions and model laws emanating from the work of the Commission. It also shows the status of the Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards,[2] which, although adopted prior to the establishment of the Commission, is closely related to the work of the Commission in the area of international commercial arbitration.

3. This note indicates the changes since 9 May 2005, when the last report in this series (A/CN.9/583) was issued. States that have become parties to a convention or have enacted legislation based on a model law since the preparation of the last report are shown in bold letters in the respective list.

4. The information contained herein relating to the UNCITRAL conventions and model laws is current up to 29 May 2006. Regularly updated treaty information after the issuance of this document may be obtained by referring to the UNCITRAL home page on the Internet (http://www.uncitral.org) or, alternatively, by contacting the unit of the Secretariat that discharges the depositary functions of the Secretary-General in respect of multilateral treaties: Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Headquarters (http://www.un.org/Depts/Treaty/) (tel.: (+1-212) 963-5472; fax: (+1-212) 963-3693; e-mail: treaty@un.org).

* The submission of this document was delayed to ensure the timeliness of the information contained therein.

[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 17* (A/35/17), para. 163.

[2] United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 330, No. 4739.

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5. The following texts are covered in this note (the term "action" is used generically to denote the depositing of an instrument of ratification, approval, acceptance or accession in respect of a treaty or participation in a treaty as a result of an action to a related treaty):

(a) [Unamended] Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods, 1974 (New York)[3] (new action by Liberia; 26 States parties);

(b) Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods, as amended, 1980 (New York)[4] (new action by Liberia; 19 States parties);

(c) United Nations Convention on the Carriage of Goods by Sea, 1978 (Hamburg)[5] (new actions by Liberia and Paraguay; 31 States parties);

(d) United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (1980)[6] (new actions by Liberia and Paraguay; 67 States parties);

(e) United Nations Convention on International Bills of Exchange and International Promissory Notes (1988)[7] (new action by Liberia. The Convention has five States parties; it requires ten States parties for entry into force);

(f) United Nations Convention on the Liability of Operators of Transport Terminals in International Trade (1991)[8] (new action by Paraguay. The Convention has four States parties; it requires five States parties for entry into force);

(g) United Nations Convention on Independent Guarantees and Stand-by Letters of Credit (1995)[9] (new action by Liberia; 8 States parties);

(h) United Nations Convention on the Assignment of Receivables in International Trade (2001)[10] (new action by Liberia. The Convention has one State party; it requires five States parties for entry into force);

(i) United Nations Convention on the Use of Electronic Communications in International Contracts (2005)[11] (new actions by Central African Republic, Lebanon and Senegal);

(j) Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards (1958)[12] (new actions by Liberia and Pakistan; 137 States parties);

(k) UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Arbitration (1985)[13] (new legislation adopted on the basis of the Model Law in Austria, Denmark, Nicaragua, Norway, Poland and Turkey);

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[3] *Official Records of the United Nations Conference on Prescription (Limitation) in the International Sale of Goods, New York, 20 May-14 June 1974* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.74.V.8), part I.

[4] United Nations publication, Sales No. E.95.V.13.

[5] United Nations publication, Sales No. E.95.V.14.

[6] United Nations publication, Sales No. E.95.V.12.

[7] United Nations publication, Sales No. E.95.V.16.

[8] *Official Records of the United Nations Conference on the Liability of Operators of Transport Terminals in International Trade, Vienna, 2-19 April 1991* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.XI.3), part I, document A/CONF.152/13, annex.

[9] United Nations publication, Sales No. E.97.V.12.

[10] United Nations publication, Sales No. E.04.V.14.

[11] General Assembly resolution A/60/515, annex.

[12] United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 330, No. 4739.

(l) UNCITRAL Model Law on International Credit Transfers (1992);[14]

(m) UNCITRAL Model Law on Procurement of Goods, Construction and Services (1994);[15]

(n) UNCITRAL Model Law on Electronic Commerce (1996)[16] (new legislation implementing provisions of the Model Law adopted in China and Sri Lanka; Uniform legislation influenced by the Model Law has been enacted in Canada, by the State of Alberta, and in the United States of America, by the States of Alaska and South Carolina);

(o) UNCITRAL Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency (1997);[17] (new legislation adopted on the basis of the Model Law within Serbia and Montenegro, in Serbia; in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Great Britain, and in the British Virgin Islands, overseas territory of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; and in the United States of America);

(p) UNCITRAL Model Law on Electronic Signatures (2001).[18] (New legislation adopted on the basis of the Model Law in China);

(q) UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Conciliation (2002)[19] (legislation based on the Model Law has been enacted in Canada, Croatia, and Hungary; uniform legislation influenced by the Model Law and the principles on which it is based has been prepared in the United States of America and enacted by the States of Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, New Jersey, Ohio and Washington).

I. Participation in conventions

A. Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods, 1974 (New York)[a]

State[b]	*Signature*	*Ratification, accession, succession or participation under article XI of the Protocol of 11 April 1980*[c]	*Entry into force*
Argentina		9 October 1981[d]	1 August 1988
Belarus	14 June 1974	23 January 1997[e]	1 August 1997
Bosnia and Herzegovina		12 January 1994[f]	6 March 1992
Brazil	14 June 1974		
Bulgaria	24 February 1975		
Burundi		4 September 1998[d]	1 April 1999
Costa Rica	30 August 1974		
Cuba		2 November 1994[e]	1 June 1995

[13] United Nations publication, Sales No. E.95.V.18.
[14] United Nations publication, Sales No. E.99.V.11.
[15] United Nations publication, Sales No. E.98.V.13.
[16] United Nations publication, Sales No. E.99.V.4.
[17] United Nations publication, Sales No. E.99.V.3.
[18] United Nations publication, Sales No. E.02.V.8.
[19] United Nations publication, Sales No. E.05.V.4.

State[a]	*Signature*	*Ratification, accession, succession or participation under article XI of the Protocol of 11 April 1980*[b]	*Entry into force*
Czech Republic[g]		30 September 1993[f]	1 January 1993
Dominican Republic		23 December 1977[d]	1 August 1988
Egypt		6 December 1982[c]	1 August 1988
Ghana	5 December 1974	7 October 1975	1 August 1988
Guinea		23 January 1991[d]	1 August 1991
Hungary	14 June 1974	16 June 1983	1 August 1988
Liberia		**16 September 2005**[d]	**1 April 2006**
Mexico		21 January 1988[d]	1 August 1988
Mongolia	14 June 1974		
Nicaragua	13 May 1975		
Norway[h]	11 December 1975	20 March 1980	1 August 1988
Paraguay		18 August 2003[d]	1 March 2004
Poland	14 June 1974	19 May 1995	1 December 1995
Republic of Moldova		28 August 1997[c]	1 March 1998
Romania		23 April 1992[d]	1 November 1992
Russian Federation[i]	14 June 1974		
Serbia and Montenegro[i]		12 March 2001[f]	27 April 1992
Slovakia[g]		28 May 1993[f]	1 January 1993
Slovenia		2 August 1995[c]	1 March 1996
Uganda		12 February 1992[d]	1 September 1992
Ukraine	14 June 1974	13 September 1993	1 April 1994
United States of America		5 May 1994[d]	1 December 1994
Uruguay		1 April 1997[d]	1 November 1997
Zambia		6 June 1986[c]	1 August 1988

Parties: 26

[a] The Convention was concluded in equally authentic Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts. On 11 August 1992, the Secretary-General, in accordance with a request of UNCITRAL, circulated a proposal for the adoption of an authentic Arabic text of the Convention. No objections having been raised, the Arabic text was deemed adopted on 9 November 1992 with the same status as that of the other authentic texts referred to in the Convention.

[b] The Convention was signed by the former German Democratic Republic on 14 June 1974 and ratified by it on 31 August 1989 and entered into force on 1 March 1990.

[c] In accordance with article XI of the Protocol, the contracting parties to the amended Convention are considered to be also contracting parties to the unamended Convention in relation to any contracting party to the unamended Convention not yet a contracting party to the 1980 Protocol, unless the depositary is notified to the contrary.

[d] Accession.

[e] Participation.

[f] Succession.

[g] The former Czechoslovakia signed the Convention on 29 August 1975 and deposited an instrument of ratification on 26 May 1977, with the Convention entering into force for the former Czechoslovakia on 1 August 1988. On 28 May and 30 September 1993, respectively, Slovakia and the Czech Republic deposited instruments of succession with effect from 1 January 1993, the date of succession of both States.

[b] Declarations and reservations. Upon signature, Norway declared, and confirmed upon ratification, that, in accordance with article 34, the Convention would not govern contracts of sale where the seller and the buyer both had their relevant places of business within the territories of the Nordic States (i.e. Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden).

[f] The Russian Federation continues, as from 24 December 1991, the membership of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) in the United Nations and maintains, as from that date, full responsibility for all the rights and obligations of the USSR under the Charter of the United Nations and the multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General.

[f] The former Yugoslavia acceded to the Convention on 27 November 1978. On 12 March 2001, the former Federal Republic of Yugoslavia declared the following:

> "The Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, having considered [the Convention], succeeds to the same and undertakes faithfully to perform and carry out the stipulations therein contained as from April 27, 1992, the date upon which the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia assumed responsibility for its international relations."

B. Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods, as amended, 1980 (New York)[a]

State[b]	*Accession, succession or participation under article VIII or X of the Protocol of 11 April 1980*[c]	*Entry into force*
Argentina	19 July 1983[r]	1 August 1988
Belarus	23 January 1997[r]	1 August 1997
Cuba	2 November 1994[r]	1 June 1995
Czech Republic[f, g]	30 September 1993[h]	1 January 1993
Egypt	6 December 1982[r]	1 August 1988
Guinea	23 January 1991[r]	1 August 1991
Hungary	16 June 1983[r]	1 August 1988
Liberia	**16 September 2005**[r]	**1 April 2006**
Mexico	21 January 1988[r]	1 August 1988
Paraguay	18 August 2003[r]	1 March 2004
Poland	19 May 1995[r]	1 December 1995
Republic of Moldova	28 August 1997[r]	1 March 1998
Romania	23 April 1992[r]	1 November 1992
Slovakia[f]	28 May 1993[h]	1 January 1993
Slovenia	2 August 1995[r]	1 March 1996
Uganda	12 February 1992[r]	1 September 1992
United States of America[g]	5 May 1994[r]	1 December 1994
Uruguay	1 April 1997[r]	1 November 1997
Zambia	6 June 1986[r]	1 August 1988

Parties: 19

[a] The text of the Convention, as amended, has been established by the Secretary-General, as provided for by article XIV of the Protocol.

[b] The German Democratic Republic was a participant by virtue of its accession on 31 August 1989 to the Protocol of 11 April 1980.

[c] In accordance with its article VIII, paragraph 1, the Protocol is open for accession by all States.

In accordance with article VIII, paragraph 2, of the Protocol, accession to the Protocol by any State that is not a contracting party to the unamended Convention shall have the effect of accession to the amended Convention, subject to the provisions of article XI of the Protocol.

In accordance with article X of the Protocol, ratification of or accession to the unamended Convention after the entry into force of the Protocol shall also constitute a ratification of or accession to the amended Convention if the State notifies the depositary accordingly.

[d] For information on which States listed above are parties to the 1980 amending Protocol, contact the Treaty Section, which performs the functions of the depositary in respect of the Protocol (see para. 4 above).

[e] Accession.

[f] Czechoslovakia was a participant to the Convention and the Protocol by virtue of its accession to the Protocol on 5 March 1990.

[g] Declarations and reservations. Upon accession, Czechoslovakia and the United States of America declared that, pursuant to article XII, they did not consider themselves bound by article I.

[h] Succession.

[i] Participation.

C. United Nations Convention on the Carriage of Goods by Sea, 1978 (Hamburg)

State	*Signature or succession*	*Ratification, accession or succession*	*Entry into force*
Austria	30 April 1979	29 July 1993	1 August 1994
Barbados		2 February 1981[a]	1 November 1992
Botswana		16 February 1988[a]	1 November 1992
Brazil	31 March 1978		
Burkina Faso		14 August 1989[a]	1 November 1992
Burundi		4 September 1998[a]	1 October 1999
Cameroon		21 October 1993[a]	1 November 1994
Chile	31 March 1978	9 July 1982	1 November 1992
Czech Republic[b, c]	2 June 1993[d]	23 June 1995	1 July 1996
Democratic Republic of the Congo	19 April 1979		
Denmark	18 April 1979		
Ecuador	31 March 1978		
Egypt	31 March 1978	23 April 1979	1 November 1992
Finland	18 April 1979		
France	18 April 1979		
Gambia		7 February 1996[a]	1 March 1997
Georgia		21 March 1996[a]	1 April 1997
Germany	31 March 1978		
Ghana	31 March 1978		
Guinea		23 January 1991[a]	1 November 1992
Holy See	31 March 1978		
Hungary	23 April 1979	5 July 1984	1 November 1992
Jordan		10 May 2001[a]	1 June 2002
Kenya		31 July 1989[a]	1 November 1992
Lebanon		4 April 1983[a]	1 November 1992
Lesotho		26 October 1989[a]	1 November 1992
Liberia		**16 September 2005[a]**	**1 October 2006**
Madagascar	31 March 1978		
Malawi		18 March 1991[a]	1 November 1992

State	Signature or succession	Ratification, accession or succession	Entry into force
Mexico	31 March 1978		
Morocco		12 June 1981[a]	1 November 1992
Nigeria		7 November 1988[a]	1 November 1992
Norway	18 April 1979		
Pakistan	8 March 1979		
Panama	31 March 1978		
Paraguay		**19 July 2005[a]**	**1 August 2006**
Philippines	14 June 1978		
Portugal	31 March 1978		
Romania		7 January 1982[a]	1 November 1992
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines		12 September 2000[a]	1 October 2001
Senegal	31 March 1978	17 March 1986	1 November 1992
Sierra Leone	15 August 1978	7 October 1988	1 November 1992
Singapore	31 March 1978		
Slovakia[b]	28 May 1993[d]		
Sweden	18 April 1979		
Syrian Arab Republic		16 October 2002[a]	17 October 2003
Tunisia		15 September 1980[a]	1 November 1992
Uganda		6 July 1979[a]	1 November 1992
United Republic of Tanzania		24 July 1979[a]	1 November 1992
United States of America	30 April 1979		
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	31 March 1978		
Zambia		7 October 1991[a]	1 November 1992

Parties: 31

[a] Accession.

[b] The former Czechoslovakia signed the Convention on 6 March 1979. On 28 May and on 2 June 1993, respectively, Slovakia and the Czech Republic deposited their instruments of succession to the signature and the Czech Republic deposited its instrument of ratification on 23 June 1995. The Czech Republic, upon ratification, withdrew the declaration, referred to in footnote c, that had been made by the former Czechoslovakia, and lodged the declaration referred to in the second paragraph of that footnote.

[c] Declarations and reservations (excludes other reservations and declarations of a political nature). Upon signature, the former Czechoslovakia declared in accordance with article 26 the formula for converting the amounts of liability referred to in paragraph 2 of that article into the Czechoslovak currency and the amount of the limits of liability to be applied in the territory of Czechoslovakia as expressed in the Czechoslovak currency.

The Czech Republic declared that limits of carrier's liability in the territory of the Czech Republic adhered to the provision of article 6 of the Convention.

[d] Succession.

D. United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (1980)

State	*Signature*	*Ratification, accession, approval, acceptance or succession*	*Entry into force*
Argentina[a]		19 July 1983[b]	1 January 1988
Australia		17 March 1988[b]	1 April 1989
Austria	11 April 1980	29 December 1987	1 January 1989
Belarus[a]		9 October 1989[b]	1 November 1990
Belgium		31 October 1996[b]	1 November 1997
Bosnia and Herzegovina		12 January 1994[c]	6 March 1992
Bulgaria		9 July 1990[b]	1 August 1991
Burundi		4 September 1998[b]	1 October 1999
Canada[d]		23 April 1991[b]	1 May 1992
Chile[a]	11 April 1980	7 February 1990	1 March 1991
China[e]	30 September 1981	11 December 1986[f]	1 January 1988
Colombia		10 July 2001[b]	1 August 2002
Croatia[g]		8 June 1998[c]	8 October 1991
Cuba		2 November 1994[b]	1 December 1995
Cyprus		7 March 2005[b]	1 April 2006
Czech Republic[h, i]		30 September 1993[c]	1 January 1993
Denmark[j]	26 May 1981	14 February 1989	1 March 1990
Ecuador		27 January 1992[b]	1 February 1993
Egypt		6 December 1982[b]	1 January 1988
Estonia[k]		20 September 1993[b]	1 October 1994
Finland[j]	26 May 1981	15 December 1987	1 January 1989
France	27 August 1981	6 August 1982[f]	1 January 1988
Gabon		15 December 2004[b]	1 January 2006
Georgia		16 August 1994[b]	1 September 1995
Germany[l, m]	26 May 1981	21 December 1989	1 January 1991
Ghana	11 April 1980		
Greece		12 January 1998[b]	1 February 1999
Guinea		23 January 1991[b]	1 February 1992
Honduras		10 October 2002[b]	1 November 2003
Hungary[n, o]	11 April 1980	16 June 1983	1 January 1988
Iceland[j]		10 May 2001[b]	1 June 2002
Iraq		5 March 1990[b]	1 April 1991
Israel		22 January 2002[b]	1 February 2003
Italy	30 September 1981	11 December 1986	1 January 1988
Kyrgyzstan		11 May 1999[b]	1 June 2000
Latvia[a]		31 July 1997[b]	1 August 1998
Lesotho	18 June 1981	18 June 1981	1 January 1988
Liberia		**16 September 2005[b]**	**1 October 2006**
Lithuania[a]		18 January 1995[b]	1 February 1996
Luxembourg		30 January 1997[b]	1 February 1998
Mauritania		20 August 1999[b]	1 September 2000

State	*Signature*	*Ratification, accession, approval, acceptance or succession*	*Entry into force*
Mexico		29 December 1987[b]	1 January 1989
Mongolia		31 December 1997[b]	1 January 1999
Netherlands	29 May 1981	13 December 1990[c]	1 January 1992
New Zealand		22 September 1994[b]	1 October 1995
Norway[d]	26 May 1981	20 July 1988	1 August 1989
Paraguay[a]		**13 January 2006**[b]	**1 February 2007**
Peru		25 March 1999[b]	1 April 2000
Poland	28 September 1981	19 May 1995	1 June 1996
Republic of Korea		17 February 2004[b]	1 March 2005
Republic of Moldova		13 October 1994[b]	1 November 1995
Romania		22 May 1991[b]	1 June 1992
Russian Federation[a, e]		16 August 1990[b]	1 September 1991
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines[f]		12 September 2000[b]	1 October 2001
Serbia and Montenegro[g]		12 March 2001[c]	27 April 1992
Singapore[f]	11 April 1980	16 February 1995	1 March 1996
Slovakia[h, i]		28 May 1993[c]	1 January 1993
Slovenia		7 January 1994[c]	25 June 1991
Spain		24 July 1990[b]	1 August 1991
Sweden[f]	26 May 1981	15 December 1987	1 January 1989
Switzerland		21 February 1990[b]	1 March 1991
Syrian Arab Republic		19 October 1982[b]	1 January 1988
Uganda		12 February 1992[b]	1 March 1993
Ukraine[a]		3 January 1990[b]	1 February 1991
United States of America[f]	31 August 1981	11 December 1986	1 January 1988
Uruguay		25 January 1999[b]	1 February 2000
Uzbekistan		27 November 1996[b]	1 December 1997
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	28 September 1981		
Zambia		6 June 1986[b]	1 January 1988

Parties: 67

[a] Declarations and reservations. This State declared, in accordance with articles 12 and 96 of the Convention, that any provision of article 11, article 29, or part II of the Convention that allowed a contract of sale or its modification or termination by agreement or any offer, acceptance or other indication of intention to be made in any form other than in writing, would not apply where any party had its place of business in its territory.

[b] Accession.

[c] Succession.

[d] Declarations and reservations. Upon accession, Canada declared that, in accordance with article 93 of the Convention, the Convention would extend to Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Prince Edward Island and the Northwest Territories. (Upon accession, Canada declared that, in accordance with article 95 of the Convention, with respect to British Columbia, it would not be bound by article 1, paragraph (b), of the Convention. In a notification received on 31 July 1992, Canada withdrew that declaration.) In a declaration received on 9 April 1992, Canada extended the application of the Convention to Quebec and Saskatchewan. In a notification received on 29 June

1992, Canada extended the application of the Convention to the Yukon Territory. In a notification received on 18 June 2003, Canada extended the application of the Convention to the Territory of Nunavut.

[e] Declarations and reservations. Upon approving the Convention, China declared that it did not consider itself bound by subparagraph (b) of paragraph 1 of article 1 and article 11, nor the provisions in the Convention relating to the content of article 11.

[f] Approval.

[g] Upon succeeding to the Convention, Croatia has decided, on the basis of the Constitutional Decision on Sovereignty and Independence of the Republic of Croatia of 25 June 1991 and the Decision of the Croatian Parliament of 8 October 1991 and by virtue of succession of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia in respect of the territory of Croatia, to be considered a party to the Convention with effect from 8 October 1991, the date on which Croatia severed all constitutional and legal connections with the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and took over its international obligations.

[h] The former Czechoslovakia signed the Convention on 1 September 1981 and deposited an instrument of ratification on 5 March 1990, with the Convention entering into force for the former Czechoslovakia on 1 April 1991. On 28 May and 30 September 1993, respectively, Slovakia and the Czech Republic deposited instruments of succession, with effect from 1 January 1993, the date of succession of both States.

[i] Declarations and reservations. This State declared that it would not be bound by paragraph 1 (b) of article 1.

[j] Declarations and reservations. Upon ratifying the Convention, Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden declared, in accordance with article 92, paragraph 1, that they would not be bound by part II of the Convention ("Formation of the Contract"). Upon ratifying the Convention, Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden declared, pursuant to article 94, paragraph 1, and article 94, paragraph 2, that the Convention would not apply to contracts of sale where the parties have their places of business in Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Sweden or Norway. In a notification effected on 12 March 2003, Iceland declared, pursuant to article 94, paragraph 1, that the Convention would not apply to contracts of sale or to their formation where the parties had their places of business in Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway or Sweden.

[k] Declarations and reservations. On 9 March 2004, Estonia withdrew the reservation made upon ratification mentioned in footnote a.

[l] The Convention was signed by the former German Democratic Republic on 13 August 1981 and ratified on 23 February 1989 and entered into force on 1 March 1990.

[m] Declarations and reservations. Upon ratifying the Convention, Germany declared that it would not apply article 1, paragraph 1 (b), in respect of any State that had made a declaration that that State would not apply article 1, paragraph 1 (b).

[n] Declarations and reservations. Upon ratifying the Convention, Hungary declared that it considered the General Conditions of Delivery of Goods between Organizations of the Member Countries of the Council for Mutual Economic Assistance to be subject to the provisions of article 90 of the Convention.

[o] Acceptance.

[p] The Russian Federation continues, as from 24 December 1991, the membership of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) in the United Nations and maintains, as from that date, full responsibility for all the rights and obligations of USSR under the Charter of the United Nations and the multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General.

[q] The former Yugoslavia signed and ratified the Convention on 11 April 1980 and 27 March 1985, respectively. On 12 March 2001, the former Federal Republic of Yugoslavia declared the following:

> "The Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, having considered [the Convention], succeeds to the same and undertakes faithfully to perform and carry out the stipulations therein contained as from April 27, 1992, the date upon which the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia assumed responsibility for its international relations."

E. United Nations Convention on International Bills of Exchange and International Promissory Notes (1988)

State	*Signature*	*Ratification or accession*
Canada	7 December 1989	
Gabon		15 December 2004[a]
Guinea		23 January 1991[a]
Honduras		8 August 2001[a]
Liberia		**16 September 2005**[a]
Mexico		11 September 1992[a]
Russian Federation[b]	30 June 1990	
United States of America	29 June 1990	

Parties: 5

[a] Accession.

[b] The Russian Federation continues, as from 24 December 1991, the membership of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) in the United Nations and maintains, as from that date, full responsibility for all the rights and obligations of USSR under the Charter of the United Nations and the multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General.

F. United Nations Convention on the Liability of Operators of Transport Terminals in International Trade (1991)

State	*Signature*	*Ratification or accession*
Egypt		6 April 1999[a]
France	15 October 1991	
Gabon		15 December 2004[a]
Georgia		21 March 1996[a]
Mexico	19 April 1991	
Paraguay		**19 July 2005**[a]
Philippines	19 April 1991	
Spain	19 April 1991	
United States of America	30 April 1992	

Parties: 4

[a] Accession.

G. United Nations Convention on Independent Guarantees and Stand-by Letters of Credit (1995)

State	*Signature*	*Ratification or accession*	*Entry into force*
Belarus	3 December 1996	23 January 2002	1 February 2003
Ecuador		18 June 1997[a]	1 January 2000
El Salvador	5 September 1997	31 July 1998	1 January 2000
Gabon		15 December 2004[a]	1 January 2006

State	*Signature*	*Ratification or accession*	*Entry into force*
Kuwait		28 October 1998[a]	1 January 2000
Liberia		**16 September 2005**[a]	**1 October 2006**
Panama	9 July 1997	21 May 1998	1 January 2000
Tunisia		8 December 1998[a]	1 January 2000
United States of America	11 December 1997		

Parties: 8

[a] Accession.

H. United Nations Convention on the Assignment of Receivables in International Trade (2001)

State	*Signature*	*Ratification or accession*
Liberia		**16 September 2005**[b]
Luxembourg[a]	12 June 2002	
Madagascar	24 September 2003	
United States of America	30 December 2003	

Party: 1

[a] Declarations and reservations. Upon signature, Luxembourg lodged the following declaration:

"Pursuant to article 39 of the Convention, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg declares that it does not wish to be bound by chapter V, which contains autonomous conflict-of-laws rules that allow too wide an application to laws other than those of the assignor and that moreover are difficult to reconcile with the Rome Convention. The Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, pursuant to article 42, paragraph 1 (c), of the Convention, will be bound by the priority rules set forth in section III of the annex, namely those based on the time of the contract of assignment."

[b] Accession.

I. United Nations Convention on the Use of Electronic Communications in International Contracts (2005)

State	*Signature*
Central African Republic	**27 February 2006**
Lebanon	**22 May 2006**
Senegal	**7 April 2006**

J. Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards (1958)

State	*Signature*	*Ratification, accession or succession*	*Entry into force*
Afghanistan[a, b]		30 November 2004[c]	28 February 2005
Albania		27 June 2001[c]	25 September 2001
Algeria[a, b]		7 February 1989[c]	8 May 1989
Antigua and Barbuda[a, b]		2 February 1989[c]	3 May 1989
Argentina[a, b, d]	26 August 1958	14 March 1989	12 June 1989
Armenia[a, b]		29 December 1997[c]	29 March 1998
Australia		26 March 1975[c]	24 June 1975
Austria		2 May 1961[c]	31 July 1961
Azerbaijan		29 February 2000[c]	29 May 2000
Bahrain[a, b]		6 April 1988[c]	5 July 1988
Bangladesh		6 May 1992[c]	4 August 1992
Barbados[a, b]		16 March 1993[c]	14 June 1993
Belarus[e]	29 December 1958	15 November 1960	13 February 1961
Belgium[a]	10 June 1958	18 August 1975	16 November 1975
Benin		16 May 1974[c]	14 August 1974
Bolivia		28 April 1995[c]	27 July 1995
Bosnia and Herzegovina[a, b, f, g]		1 September 1993[b]	6 March 1992
Botswana[a, b]		20 December 1971[c]	19 March 1972
Brazil		7 June 2002[c]	5 September 2002
Brunei Darussalam[a]		25 July 1996[c]	23 October 1996
Bulgaria[a, e]	17 December 1958	10 October 1961	8 January 1962
Burkina Faso		23 March 1987[c]	21 June 1987
Cambodia		5 January 1960[c]	4 April 1960
Cameroon		19 February 1988[c]	19 May 1988
Canada[f]		12 May 1986[c]	10 August 1986
Central African Republic[a, b]		15 October 1962[c]	13 January 1963
Chile		4 September 1975[c]	3 December 1975
China[a, b, o]		22 January 1987[c]	22 April 1987
Colombia		25 September 1979[c]	24 December 1979
Costa Rica	10 June 1958	26 October 1987	24 January 1988
Côte d'Ivoire		1 February 1991[c]	2 May 1991
Croatia[a, b, f, g]		26 July 1993[b]	8 October 1991
Cuba[a, b, e]		30 December 1974[c]	30 March 1975
Cyprus[a, b]		29 December 1980[c]	29 March 1981
Czech Republic[f, j]		30 September 1993[b]	1 January 1993
Denmark[a, b]		22 December 1972[c]	22 March 1973
Djibouti[f]		14 June 1983[b]	27 June 1977
Dominica		28 October 1988[c]	26 January 1989
Dominican Republic		11 April 2002[c]	10 July 2002
Ecuador[a, b]	17 December 1958	3 January 1962	3 April 1962

State	*Signature*	*Ratification, accession or succession*	*Entry into force*
Egypt		9 March 1959[c]	7 June 1959
El Salvador	10 June 1958	26 February 1998	27 May 1998
Estonia		30 August 1993[c]	28 November 1993
Finland	29 December 1958	19 January 1962	19 April 1962
France[a]	25 November 1958	26 June 1959	24 September 1959
Georgia		2 June 1994[c]	31 August 1994
Germany[a, k, l]	10 June 1958	30 June 1961	28 September 1961
Ghana		9 April 1968[c]	8 July 1968
Greece[a, b]		16 July 1962[c]	14 October 1962
Guatemala[a, b]		21 March 1984[c]	19 June 1984
Guinea		23 January 1991[c]	23 April 1991
Haiti		5 December 1983[c]	4 March 1984
Holy See[a, b]		14 May 1975[c]	12 August 1975
Honduras		3 October 2000[c]	1 January 2001
Hungary[a, b]		5 March 1962[c]	3 June 1962
Iceland		24 January 2002[c]	24 April 2002
India[a, b]	10 June 1958	13 July 1960	11 October 1960
Indonesia[a, b]		7 October 1981[c]	5 January 1982
Iran (Islamic Republic of)[a, b]		15 October 2001[c]	13 January 2002
Ireland[a]		12 May 1981[c]	10 August 1981
Israel	10 June 1958	5 January 1959	7 June 1959
Italy		31 January 1969[c]	1 May 1969
Jamaica[a, b]		10 July 2002[c]	8 October 2002
Japan[a]		20 June 1961[c]	18 September 1961
Jordan	10 June 1958	15 November 1979	13 February 1980
Kazakhstan		20 November 1995[c]	18 February 1996
Kenya[a]		10 February 1989[c]	11 May 1989
Kuwait[a]		28 April 1978[c]	27 July 1978
Kyrgyzstan		18 December 1996[c]	18 March 1997
Lao People's Democratic Republic		17 June 1998[c]	15 September 1998
Latvia		14 April 1992[c]	13 July 1992
Lebanon[a]		11 August 1998[c]	9 November 1998
Lesotho		13 June 1989[c]	11 September 1989
Liberia		**16 September 2005**[c]	**15 December 2005**
Lithuania[c]		14 March 1995[c]	12 June 1995
Luxembourg[a]	11 November 1958	9 September 1983	8 December 1983
Madagascar[a, b]		16 July 1962[c]	14 October 1962
Malaysia[a, b]		5 November 1985[c]	3 February 1986
Mali		8 September 1994[c]	7 December 1994
Malta[a, m]		22 June 2000[c]	20 September 2000
Mauritania		30 January 1997[c]	30 April 1997
Mauritius[a]		19 June 1996[c]	17 September 1996
Mexico		14 April 1971[c]	13 July 1971

State	*Signature*	*Ratification, accession or succession*	*Entry into force*
Monaco[a, b]	31 December 1958	2 June 1982	31 August 1982
Mongolia[a, b]		24 October 1994[r]	22 January 1995
Morocco[a]		12 February 1959[r]	7 June 1959
Mozambique[a]		11 June 1998[r]	9 September 1998
Nepal[a, b]		4 March 1998[r]	2 June 1998
Netherlands[a]	10 June 1958	24 April 1964	23 July 1964
New Zealand[a]		6 January 1983[r]	6 April 1983
Nicaragua		24 September 2003[r]	23 December 2003
Niger		14 October 1964[r]	12 January 1965
Nigeria[a, b]		17 March 1970[r]	15 June 1970
Norway[a, u]		14 March 1961[r]	12 June 1961
Oman		25 February 1999[r]	26 May 1999
Pakistan[a]	30 December 1958	**14 July 2005**	**12 October 2005**
Panama		10 October 1984[r]	8 January 1985
Paraguay		8 October 1997[r]	6 January 1998
Peru		7 July 1988[r]	5 October 1988
Philippines[a, b]	10 June 1958	6 July 1967	4 October 1967
Poland[a, b]	10 June 1958	3 October 1961	1 January 1962
Portugal[a]		18 October 1994[r]	16 January 1995
Qatar		30 December 2002[r]	30 March 2003
Republic of Korea[a, b]		8 February 1973[r]	9 May 1973
Republic of Moldova[a, g]		18 September 1998[r]	17 December 1998
Romania[a, b, v]		13 September 1961[r]	12 December 1961
Russian Federation[c, p]	29 December 1958	24 August 1960	22 November 1960
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines[a, b]		12 September 2000[r]	11 December 2000
San Marino		17 May 1979[r]	15 August 1979
Saudi Arabia[a]		19 April 1994[r]	18 July 1994
Senegal		17 October 1994[r]	15 January 1995
Serbia and Montenegro[a, b, g, q]		12 March 2001[h]	27 April 1992
Singapore[a]		21 August 1986[r]	19 November 1986
Slovakia[f, l]		28 May 1993[h]	1 January 1993
Slovenia[a, b, f, g]		6 July 1992[h]	25 June 1991
South Africa		3 May 1976[r]	1 August 1976
Spain		12 May 1977[r]	10 August 1977
Sri Lanka	30 December 1958	9 April 1962	8 July 1962
Sweden	23 December 1958	28 January 1972	27 April 1972
Switzerland[r]	29 December 1958	1 June 1965	30 August 1965
Syrian Arab Republic		9 March 1959[r]	7 June 1959
Thailand		21 December 1959[r]	20 March 1960
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia[a, b, f, g]		10 March 1994[h]	17 September 1991
Trinidad and Tobago[a, b]		14 February 1966[r]	15 May 1966
Tunisia[a, b]		17 July 1967[r]	15 October 1967

State	*Signature*	*Ratification, accession or succession*	*Entry into force*
Turkey[a, b]		2 July 1992[c]	30 September 1992
Uganda[a]		12 February 1992[c]	12 May 1992
Ukraine[f]	29 December 1958	10 October 1960	8 January 1961
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland[a]		24 September 1975[c]	23 December 1975
United Republic of Tanzania[a]		13 October 1964[c]	12 January 1965
United States of America[a, b]		30 September 1970[c]	29 December 1970
Uruguay		30 March 1983[c]	28 June 1983
Uzbekistan		7 February 1996[c]	7 May 1996
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)[a, b]		8 February 1995[c]	9 May 1995
Viet Nam[a, b, e, i]		12 September 1995[c]	11 December 1995
Zambia		14 March 2002[c]	12 June 2002
Zimbabwe		29 September 1994[c]	28 December 1994

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[a] Declarations and reservations (excludes territorial declarations and certain other reservations and declarations of a political nature). This State will apply the Convention only to recognition and enforcement of awards made in the territory of another contracting State.

[b] Declarations and reservations (excludes territorial declarations and certain other reservations and declarations of a political nature). This State will apply the Convention only to differences arising out of legal relationships, whether contractual or not, that are considered commercial under the national law.

[c] Accession.

[d] Declarations and reservations (excludes territorial declarations and certain other reservations and declarations of a political nature). Argentina declared that the Convention should be construed in accordance with the principles and rules of the National Constitution in force or with those resulting from reforms mandated by the Constitution.

[e] Declarations and reservations (excludes territorial declarations and certain other reservations and declarations of a political nature). With regard to awards made in the territory of non-contracting States, this State will apply the Convention only to the extent to which those States grant reciprocal treatment.

[f] The date of effect of the succession is as follows: for Bosnia and Herzegovina, 6 March 1992; for Croatia, 8 October 1991; for the Czech Republic, 1 January 1993; for Djibouti, 27 June 1977; for Slovakia, 1 January 1993; for Slovenia, 25 June 1991; and for the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, 17 September 1991.

[g] Declarations and reservations (excludes territorial declarations and certain other reservations and declarations of a political nature). This State will apply the Convention only to those arbitral awards which were adopted after the entry into effect of the Convention.

[h] Succession.

[i] Declarations and reservations (excludes territorial declarations and certain other reservations and declarations of a political nature). Canada declared that it would apply the Convention only to differences arising out of legal relationships, whether contractual or not, that were considered commercial under the laws of Canada, except in the case of the Province of Quebec, where the law did not provide for such limitation.

[j] The former Czechoslovakia signed the Convention on 3 October 1958 and deposited an instrument of ratification on 10 July 1959. On 28 May and 30 September 1993, respectively, Slovakia and the Czech Republic deposited instruments of succession.

[k] The former German Democratic Republic acceded to the Convention on 20 February 1975 with the reservations mentioned in footnotes a, b and c.

[l] On 31 August 1998, Germany withdrew the reservation made upon ratification mentioned in footnote a.

[m] The Convention only applies with regard to Malta with respect to arbitration agreements concluded after the date of Malta's accession to the Convention.

[n] Declarations and reservations (excludes territorial declarations and certain other reservations and declarations of a political nature). This State will not apply the Convention to differences where the subject matter of the proceedings is immovable property situated in the State, or a right in or to such property.

[o] Upon resumption of sovereignty over Hong Kong on 1 July 1997, the Government of China extended the territorial application of the Convention to Hong Kong, Special Administrative Region of China, subject to the statement originally made by China upon accession to the Convention. On 19 July 2005, China declared that the Convention shall apply to the Macao Special Administrative Region of China, subject to the statement originally made by China upon accession to the Convention.

[p] The Russian Federation continues, as from 24 December 1991, the membership of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) in the United Nations and maintains, as from that date, full responsibility for all the rights and obligations of USSR under the Charter of the United Nations and the multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General.

[q] The former Yugoslavia acceded to the Convention on 26 February 1982. On 12 March 2001, the Secretary-General received from the Government of Yugoslavia a notification of succession, confirming the declaration dated 28 June 1982 by the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (see footnotes a, b and g above).

[r] Declarations and reservations (excludes territorial declarations and certain other reservations and declarations of a political nature). On 23 April 1993, Switzerland notified the Secretary-General of its decision to withdraw the reciprocity declaration it had made upon ratification.

[s] Viet Nam declared that interpretation of the Convention before the Vietnamese courts or competent authorities should be made in accordance with the Constitution and the law of Viet Nam.

II. Enactments of model laws

A. UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Arbitration (1985)

6. Legislation based on the UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Arbitration has been enacted in Australia, Austria (2005), Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, China (the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and the Macao Special Administrative Region), Croatia, Cyprus, Denmark (2005), Egypt, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Ireland, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malta, Mexico, New Zealand, Nicaragua (2005), Nigeria, Norway (2004), Oman, Paraguay, Peru, the Philippines, Poland (2005), the Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, Singapore, Spain, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey (2001), Ukraine, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (Scotland and Bermuda, an overseas territory of the United Kingdom), the United States of America (the States of California, Connecticut, Illinois, Oregon and Texas), Zambia and Zimbabwe.

B. UNCITRAL Model Law on International Credit Transfers (1992)

7. A directive of the European Parliament and of the Council of the European Union based on the principles of the UNCITRAL Model Law on International Credit Transfers was issued on 27 January 1997.

C. UNCITRAL Model Law on Procurement of Goods, Construction and Services (1994)

8. Legislative texts based on or largely inspired by the UNCITRAL Model Law on Procurement of Goods, Construction and Services have been adopted in various States, including Albania, Azerbaijan, Croatia, Estonia, the Gambia (2001), Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Malawi (2003), Mauritius, Mongolia, Poland, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Slovakia, the United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda and Uzbekistan.

D. UNCITRAL Model Law on Electronic Commerce (1996)

9. Legislation implementing provisions of the Model Law has been adopted in Australia (1999), China (2004), Colombia (1999),[20] the Dominican Republic (2002),[20] Ecuador (2002),[20] France (2000), India (2000),[20] Ireland (2000), Jordan (2001), Mauritius (2000), Mexico (2000), New Zealand (2002), Pakistan (2002), Panama (2001),[20] the Philippines (2000), the Republic of Korea (1999), Singapore (1998), Slovenia (2000), South Africa (2002),[20] Sri Lanka (2006), Thailand (2002) and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) (2001).

10. The Model Law has also been adopted in the Bailiwick of Guernsey (2000), the Bailiwick of Jersey (2000) and the Isle of Man (2000), all Crown Dependencies of the United Kingdom; in Bermuda (1999), the Cayman Islands (2000) and the Turks and Caicos Islands (2000), all overseas territories of the United Kingdom; and in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of China (2000).

11. Uniform legislation influenced by the Model Law and the principles on which it is based has been prepared in the United States (Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, adopted in 1999 by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Law) and enacted by the States of Alabama (2001), Alaska (2004), Arizona (2000), Arkansas (2001), California (1999), Colorado (2002), Connecticut (2002), Delaware (2000), Florida (2000), Hawaii (2000), Idaho (2000), Indiana (2000), Iowa (2000), Kansas (2000), Kentucky (2000), Louisiana (2001), Maine (2000), Maryland (2000), Massachusetts (2003), Michigan (2000), Minnesota (2000), Mississippi (2001), Missouri (2003), Montana (2001), Nebraska (2000), Nevada (2001), New Hampshire (2001), New Jersey (2000), New Mexico (2001), North Carolina (2000), North Dakota (2001), Ohio (2000), Oklahoma (2000), Oregon (2001), Pennsylvania (1999), Rhode Island (2000), South Carolina (2004), South Dakota (2000), Tennessee (2001), Texas (2001), Utah (2000), Vermont (2003), Virginia (2000), West Virginia (2001), Wisconsin (2004), Wyoming (2001) and the

[20] Except for the provisions on certification and electronic signatures.

District of Columbia (2001). The State of Illinois had already enacted the Model Law in 1998.

12. Uniform legislation influenced by the Model Law and the principles on which it is based has also been prepared in Canada (Uniform Electronic Commerce Act, adopted in 1999 by the Uniform Law Conference of Canada) and enacted in a number of provinces and territories, including Alberta (2001), British Columbia (2001), Manitoba (2000), New Brunswick (2001), Newfoundland and Labrador (2001), Nova Scotia (2000), Ontario (2001), Prince Edward Island (2001), Saskatchewan (2000) and Yukon (2000). Legislation influenced by the Model Law and the principles on which it is based has also been adopted in the Province of Quebec (2001).

E. UNCITRAL Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency (1997)

13. Legislation based on the UNCITRAL Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency has been adopted in Eritrea, Japan (2000), Mexico (2000), Poland (2003), Romania (2003), within Serbia and Montenegro, in Montenegro (2002) and Serbia (2004); South Africa (2000), in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Great Britain (2006); the British Virgin Islands (2005), overseas territory of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; and the United States of America (2005).

F. UNCITRAL Model Law on Electronic Signatures (2001)

14. Legislation based on the UNCITRAL Model Law on Electronic Signatures has been adopted in China (2004), Mexico (2003), and Thailand (2001).

G. UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Conciliation (2002)

15. Legislation based on the UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Conciliation has been enacted in Canada (2005), Croatia (2003) and Hungary (2002).

Uniform legislation influenced by the Model Law and the principles on which it is based has been prepared in:

the United States of America (Uniform Mediation Act, adopted in 2001 by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Law)

and enacted by the States of:

Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, New Jersey, Ohio and Washington.

III. Chronological table of actions in respect of conventions

A. Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods, 1974 (New York)[a]

State	*Date of accession*
Ghana	7 October 1975
Dominican Republic	23 December 1977
Norway	20 March 1980
Argentina	9 October 1981
Egypt	6 December 1982
Hungary	16 June 1983
Zambia	6 June 1986
Mexico	21 January 1988
Guinea	23 January 1991
Uganda	12 February 1992
Romania	23 April 1992
Slovakia[b]	28 May 1993
Ukraine	13 September 1993
Czech Republic[b]	30 September 1993
Bosnia and Herzegovina[c]	12 January 1994
United States of America	5 May 1994
Cuba	2 November 1994
Poland	19 May 1995
Slovenia	2 August 1995
Belarus	23 January 1997
Uruguay	1 April 1997
Republic of Moldova	28 August 1997
Serbia and Montenegro[c]	12 March 2001
Paraguay	18 August 2003
Liberia	**16 September 2005**

[a] The former German Democratic Republic ratified the Convention on 31 August 1989.
[b] Succession: the former Czechoslovakia ratified the Convention on 26 May 1977.
[c] Succession: the former Yugoslavia acceded to the Convention on 27 November 1978.

B. Protocol amending the Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods, 1980 (New York)[a]

State	*Date of accession*
Egypt	6 December 1982
Hungary	16 June 1983
Argentina	19 July 1983
Zambia	6 June 1986

State	*Date of accession*
Mexico	21 January 1988
Guinea	23 January 1991
Uganda	12 February 1992
Romania	23 April 1992
Slovakia[b]	28 May 1993
Czech Republic[b]	30 September 1993
United States of America	5 May 1994
Cuba	2 November 1994
Poland	19 May 1995
Slovenia	2 August 1995
Belarus	23 January 1997
Uruguay	1 April 1997
Republic of Moldova	28 August 1997
Paraguay	18 August 2003
Liberia	**16 September 2005**

[a] The former German Democratic Republic acceded to the Protocol on 31 August 1989.
[b] Succession: the former Czechoslovakia acceded to the Protocol on 5 March 1990.

C. United Nations Convention on the Carriage of Goods by Sea, 1978 (Hamburg)

State	*Date of accession*
Egypt	23 April 1979
Uganda	6 July 1979
United Republic of Tanzania	24 July 1979
Tunisia	15 September 1980
Barbados	2 February 1981
Morocco	12 June 1981
Romania	7 January 1982
Chile	9 July 1982
Lebanon	4 April 1983
Hungary	5 July 1984
Senegal	17 March 1986
Botswana	16 February 1988
Sierra Leone	7 October 1988
Nigeria	7 November 1988
Kenya	31 July 1989
Burkina Faso	14 August 1989
Lesotho	26 October 1989
Guinea	23 January 1991
Malawi	18 March 1991
Zambia	7 October 1991
Austria	29 July 1993

State	*Date of accession*
Cameroon	21 October 1993
Czech Republic	23 June 1995
Gambia	7 February 1996
Georgia	21 March 1996
Burundi	4 September 1998
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	12 September 2000
Jordan	10 May 2001
Syrian Arab Republic	16 October 2002
Paraguay	**19 July 2005**
Liberia	**16 September 2005**

D. United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (1980)

State	*Date of accession*
Lesotho	18 June 1981
France	6 August 1982
Syrian Arab Republic	19 October 1982
Egypt	6 December 1982
Hungary	16 June 1983
Argentina	19 July 1983
Zambia	6 June 1986
China	11 December 1986
Italy	11 December 1986
United States of America	11 December 1986
Finland	15 December 1987
Sweden	15 December 1987
Austria	29 December 1987
Mexico	29 December 1987
Australia	17 March 1988
Norway	20 July 1988
Denmark	14 February 1989
Belarus	9 October 1989
Germany[a]	21 December 1989
Ukraine	3 January 1990
Chile	7 February 1990
Switzerland	21 February 1990
Iraq	5 March 1990
Bulgaria	9 July 1990
Spain	24 July 1990
Russian Federation[b]	16 August 1990
Netherlands	13 December 1990
Guinea	23 January 1991
Canada	23 April 1991
Romania	22 May 1991

State	*Date of accession*
Ecuador	27 January 1992
Uganda	12 February 1992
Slovakia[c]	28 May 1993
Estonia	20 September 1993
Czech Republic[c]	30 September 1993
Slovenia[d]	7 January 1994
Bosnia and Herzegovina[d]	12 January 1994
Georgia	16 August 1994
New Zealand	22 September 1994
Republic of Moldova	13 October 1994
Cuba	2 November 1994
Lithuania	18 January 1995
Singapore	16 February 1995
Poland	19 May 1995
Belgium	31 October 1996
Uzbekistan	27 November 1996
Luxembourg	30 January 1997
Latvia	31 July 1997
Mongolia	31 December 1997
Greece	12 January 1998
Croatia[d]	8 June 1998
Burundi	4 September 1998
Uruguay	25 January 1999
Peru	25 March 1999
Mauritania	20 August 1999
Kyrgyzstan	11 May 1999
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	12 September 2000
Serbia and Montenegro[d]	12 March 2001
Iceland	10 May 2001
Colombia	10 July 2001
Israel	22 January 2002
Honduras	10 October 2002
Republic of Korea	17 February 2004
Gabon	15 December 2004
Cyprus	7 March 2005
Liberia	**16 September 2005**
Paraguay	**13 January 2006**

[a] The former German Democratic Republic ratified the Convention on 23 February 1989.

[b] The Russian Federation continues, as from 24 December 1991, the membership of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) in the United Nations and maintains, as from that date, full responsibility for all the rights and obligations of USSR under the Charter of the United Nations and the multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General.

[c] Succession: the former Czechoslovakia ratified the Convention on 5 March 1990.

[d] Succession: the former Yugoslavia signed and ratified the Convention on 11 April 1980 and 27 March 1985, respectively.

E. United Nations Convention on International Bills of Exchange and International Promissory Notes (1988)

State	*Date of accession*
Guinea	23 January 1991
Mexico	15 September 1992
Honduras	8 August 2001
Gabon	15 December 2004
Liberia	**16 September 2005**

F. United Nations Convention on the Liability of Operators of Transport Terminals in International Trade (1991)

State	*Date of accession*
Georgia	21 March 1996
Egypt	6 April 1999
Gabon	15 December 2004
Paraguay	**19 July 2005**

G. United Nations Convention on Independent Guarantees and Stand-by Letters of Credit (1995)

State	*Date of accession*
Ecuador	18 June 1997
Panama	21 May 1998
El Salvador	31 July 1998
Kuwait	28 October 1998
Tunisia	8 December 1998
Belarus	23 January 2002
Gabon	15 December 2004
Liberia	**16 September 2005**

H. United Nations Convention on the Assignment of Receivables in International Trade (2001)

State	*Date of accession*
Liberia	**16 September 2005**

I. Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards (1958)

State	*Date of accession*
Israel	5 January 1959
Morocco	12 February 1959
Egypt	9 March 1959
Syrian Arab Republic	9 March 1959
France	26 June 1959
Thailand	21 December 1959
Cambodia	5 January 1960
India	13 July 1960
Russian Federation[a]	24 August 1960
Ukraine	10 October 1960
Belarus	15 November 1960
Norway	14 March 1961
Austria	2 May 1961
Japan	20 June 1961
Germany[b]	30 June 1961
Romania	13 September 1961
Poland	3 October 1961
Bulgaria	10 October 1961
Ecuador	3 January 1962
Finland	19 January 1962
Hungary	5 March 1962
Sri Lanka	9 April 1962
Greece	16 July 1962
Madagascar	16 July 1962
Central African Republic	15 October 1962
Netherlands	24 April 1964
United Republic of Tanzania	13 October 1964
Niger	14 October 1964
Switzerland	1 June 1965
Trinidad and Tobago	14 February 1966
Philippines	6 July 1967
Tunisia	17 July 1967
Ghana	9 April 1968
Italy	31 January 1969
Nigeria	17 March 1970
United States of America	30 September 1970
Mexico	14 April 1971
Botswana	20 December 1971
Sweden	28 January 1972
Denmark	22 December 1972
Republic of Korea	8 February 1973
Benin	16 May 1974
Cuba	30 December 1974

State	*Date of accession*
Australia	26 March 1975
Holy See	14 May 1975
Belgium	18 August 1975
Chile	4 September 1975
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	24 September 1975
South Africa	3 May 1976
Spain	12 May 1977
Kuwait	28 April 1978
San Marino	17 May 1979
Colombia	25 September 1979
Jordan	15 November 1979
Cyprus	29 December 1980
Ireland	12 May 1981
Indonesia	7 October 1981
Monaco	2 June 1982
New Zealand	6 January 1983
Uruguay	30 March 1983
Djibouti	14 June 1983
Luxembourg	9 September 1983
Haiti	5 December 1983
Guatemala	21 March 1984
Panama	10 October 1984
Malaysia	5 November 1985
Canada	12 May 1986
Singapore	21 August 1986
China	22 January 1987
Burkina Faso	23 March 1987
Costa Rica	26 October 1987
Cameroon	19 February 1988
Bahrain	6 April 1988
Peru	7 July 1988
Dominica	28 October 1988
Antigua and Barbuda	2 February 1989
Algeria	7 February 1989
Kenya	10 February 1989
Argentina	14 March 1989
Lesotho	13 June 1989
Guinea	23 January 1991
Côte d'Ivoire	1 February 1991
Uganda	12 February 1992
Latvia	14 April 1992
Bangladesh	6 May 1992
Turkey	2 July 1992
Slovenia	6 July 1992
Barbados	16 March 1993

State	*Date of accession*
Slovakia	28 May 1993
Croatia	26 July 1993
Estonia	30 August 1993
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1 September 1993
Czech Republic	30 September 1993
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	10 March 1994
Saudi Arabia	19 April 1994
Georgia	2 June 1994
Mali	8 September 1994
Zimbabwe	29 September 1994
Senegal	17 October 1994
Portugal	18 October 1994
Mongolia	24 October 1994
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	8 February 1995
Lithuania	14 March 1995
Bolivia	28 April 1995
Viet Nam	12 September 1995
Kazakhstan	20 November 1995
Uzbekistan	7 February 1996
Mauritius	19 June 1996
Brunei Darussalam	25 July 1996
Kyrgyzstan	18 December 1996
Mauritania	30 January 1997
Paraguay	8 October 1997
Armenia	29 December 1997
El Salvador	26 February 1998
Nepal	4 March 1998
Mozambique	11 June 1998
Lao People's Democratic Republic	17 June 1998
Lebanon	11 August 1998
Republic of Moldova	18 September 1998
Oman	25 February 1999
Azerbaijan	29 February 2000
Malta	22 June 2000
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	12 September 2000
Honduras	3 October 2000
Serbia and Montenegro[c]	12 March 2001
Albania	27 June 2001
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	15 October 2001
Iceland	24 January 2002
Zambia	14 March 2002
Dominican Republic	11 April 2002
Brazil	7 June 2002
Jamaica	10 July 2002
Qatar	30 December 2002

State	*Date of accession*
Nicaragua	24 September 2003
Afghanistan	30 November 2004
Pakistan	**14 July 2005**
Liberia	**16 September 2005**

[a] The Russian Federation continues, as from 24 December 1991, the membership of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) in the United Nations and maintains, as from that date, full responsibility for all the rights and obligations of USSR under the Charter of the United Nations and the multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General.

[b] The former German Democratic Republic acceded to the Convention on 20 February 1975.

[c] Succession: the former Yugoslavia acceded to the Convention on 26 February 1982.